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Orders will be received by Messrs Lane, Crawford & Co., Hongkong, July 31, 1875.

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INLAND LOT 82.—The well-known House and Offices lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$390.48.  
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Annual Crown rent, \$324.

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Annual Crown rent, \$26.

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MARINE LOT 4.—With a frontage of 100 feet on the Praya, and with an area of 30,000 feet.

Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$410.

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LOTS No. 6 AND No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

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Area 1,064 Tanbous of 30 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$263.78.

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Area, 654 Tanbous.

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.

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Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

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200 Cases CLARET from BORDEAUX.

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By WILLIAM FREDERICK MAYERS.

Price \$3.

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### FOR SALE.

Ex "OCEANIC."

THIS Season's American HAMS and BACON in prime condition. Smoked SALMON.

Golden Gate Baker's EXTRA FLOUR in Barrels and Tins.

MADEWEN, FRICKEL & Co. Hongkong, February 19, 1876.

DUO DE MONTEBELLO CARTE BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$15 per case (1 dozen.) Pints, \$16 " (2 " " " " 5 per cent. discount on 25 cases.

Bourbon WHISKEY. \$12 per case (1 dozen.)

For Sale by HEARD & Co. Hongkong, June 23, 1875.

## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

I have this day authorized Mr. J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procuration.

A. MACG. HEATON. Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

### NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS. E. C. RAY. Bank Buildings, Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

### NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Halphong and Ha Noi. Mr E. CONSTANTIN is authorized to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

## Intimations.

STAFFORDSHIRE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF HANLEY.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £250,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and Shanghai for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Fire Insurance at current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

THE MERCHANTS' MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, OF LONDON.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, £500,000.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to issue Policies of Marine Insurance at current rates, payable in London, India, Australia, New Zealand, Straits, Mauritius, Java, Manila, China, Japan, California, &c., &c.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co. Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

Note.—By the Company's Articles of Association it is provided that, after payment to the shareholders of a dividend of 10 per cent. per annum, one fourth of the residue of profits will be rateably divided amongst those Insurers out of whose business profits have been made during the year.

In the Goods of CAPTAIN LAWRENCE YOUNG, Deceased.

ALL Persons having any CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to send in Particulars of the same to the Undersigned on or before the 22nd day of April, 1876.

And all Persons being indebted to the said Estate are requested to Pay to the Undersigned their several Debts without delay.

STEPHENS & HOLMES, Solicitors for the Executors, 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, February 22, 1876.

IN CONSEQUENCE OF THE REDUCTION OF THE PRICE OF THE "SHANGHAI COURIER AND CHINA GAZETTE,"

IT WILL BE THE CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA and as a large

INCREASE OF CIRCULATION MAY BE CONFIDENTLY ANTICIPATED, THE ADVERTISERS

to obvious.

## Intimations.

### LOST.

ON THURSDAY, the 23rd Instant, a Liver and White Suffolk SPANIEL, answer to the name of "SAMBO." Whoever will bring the same to the Office of DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., will be suitably Rewarded.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

DIVIDEND Warrants for the Dividend to Dec. 31/75, at the rate of \$10 per share, can be obtained at the Office on or after 26th February.

By Order, D. GILLIES, Secretary.

No. 2, Club Chambers, Hongkong, February 23, 1876.

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

A SPECIAL AGENCY of the Company has been opened in LONDON, under the management of Mr WALDEMAR SCHMIDT, at 3, St. Michael's Alley, Cornhill.

By Order, W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 28, 1876.

ALL Persons having any CLAIMS against the Estate of the late A. MARCUS DALY, and all Persons indebted to the same, are requested to communicate immediately with the Undersigned.

R. LOWCOCK, Executor. Hongkong, March 21, 1876.

## Auctions.

### PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will sell by Public Auction, on

### THURSDAY,

the 30th Instant, at 2 p.m.,—The STOCK-IN-TRADE, GOODWILL, FURNITURE & FIXTURES of the well-known public house called the "BRITISH HOTEL," Queen's Road.

The Furniture will be sold in lots. TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7.

J. M. GUEDES, Jr., Auctioneer. Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

### GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, at their Sale Room, Praya, on

### FRIDAY,

the 31st March, 1876, at Noon,—Silk and Alpaca Umbrellas, Eau de Cologne, Aromatic Eau de Cologne, Toilet Vinegar, Tooth Brushes, Crystal Finger Plates and Handles, Glazing Tools, Gauging Rods, Walkden's Black Writing Ink, Shoe Blacking, &c., &c.

Also, A Large Treasury Chest.

25 cases Champagne Vineyard Cognac.

25 " E. Courvoisier and Oulier's Cognac.

25 " Chateau La Rose by Lopes Dubie & Co.

25 " Swaine Board & Co's Old Tom.

100 Rifles.

50 Pistols.

23 bolts Extra Navy Canvas, Nos. 1, 8 and 4.

10 tubs Iron Wire, No. 11 to 15.

And, 2 North China PONIES, will gallop single or double harness.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 28, 1876.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL. The Company's Steamship "PATROCLUS"

will be despatched on or about the 7th April.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

## Shipping.

### Steamers.

FOR COOKTOWN, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE AND SYDNEY.

The Steamship "CHEFTOT." Captain WATT, will be despatched as above on or about the 30th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, March 20, 1876.

FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY. The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamship "NORMANBY"

will be despatched as above on or about the 1st Proximo.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, March 24, 1876.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT.) The Steamship "ESMERALDA."

Captain THEBAUD, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 3rd Proximo, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON, Agent.

Hongkong, March 28, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The Steamship "QUANGSE."

Capt. JONES, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 12th Proximo, at 2 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, March 21, 1876.

## Sailing Vessels.

NOTICE. The Undermentioned Vessels having the greater portion of their Cargo and Passengers engaged, will have immediate dispatch for the following Ports.

FOR VICTORIA, V.I.S.I. The British Bark "FORWARD."

Captain JOHN STRACHAN.

The British Ship "ANNIE GRAY," Captain ROBERT MORE.

FOR PORTLAND, OREGON. The American Bark "GARIBALDI," Captain C. M. NOYES.

The American Bark "EDWARD JAMES," Captain THOS. J. FORBES.

FOR HONOLULU, S. I., AND SAN FRANCISCO. The American Bark "ALDEN BESSE," Captain ALLEN NOYES.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co. Hongkong, March 23, 1876.

FOR NEW YORK. The A.1 American Ship "CHARTER OAK."

EMITE, Master, will load here and at Whampoa, and will have quick despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A.1 American Bark "JONATHAN CHASE."

OKRIS, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, March 27, 1876.







float. The *Venice*, which arrived here today, brought on the *Madagascar* passengers (Mr. E. Hinatek and 38 Chinese).

We presume that but little importance need be attached to the rumoured disturbances in Haiphong, as there is no official news whatever to hand on the subject. The *Indépendant de Saigon* says:—"The unexpected arrival in our port of the gunboat *Aspie* from Haiphong, has given rise to many rumours. We give under our reserve what appears to us best founded. An insurrection which was said to have been fomented by the gentry, and those eternal 'black flags' (*pavillons noirs*) in the pay of the Government of Hué, had broken out in the provinces of the South, and the Christian community of Mons. Gauthier is in considerable danger. Some grave disorders must have been committed, because a letter from this last to the Consul of Haiphong only preceded by a few hours the departure of the *Aspie*."

A CORRESPONDENT writes to inquire how it was that our worthy Postmaster General omitted to mention the Parcel P. st. in his lengthy report, as he must have had something interesting to say on that head. It is most likely that our new Postmaster could have enlarged on that subject to any extent, as his great difficulty seems to be condensation. But it is possible that the public have ceased sending mechanical dolls, steam engines, and torpedoes through the Post Office, and thus deprived our G. P. O. report of much of its previous light and entertaining matter. The reports of Mr. Lister's predecessor, though brief and clear in a postal sense, were models of official pomposity, and were pervaded with a mysterious air of superior knowledge which at first sight inspired awe but on nearer acquaintance provoked a smile. Mr. Lister would be much more lucid if he were less exhaustive; and yet our correspondent here calls attention to an omission. By this time next year, we dare say, the P. M. G. will be able to discern the wheat from the chaff, and the result will be one of the most comprehensive and terse reports yet issued from the Office.

The *Indépendant de Saigon* thus speaks of M. Dupuis, the explorer of Tonquin, in its issue of the 15th instant:—

"The Tribunal de Commerce at Saigon, at its sitting of the 14th March, revoked the judgment declarative of bankruptcy pronounced against M. Dupuis on Nov. 9 last year. M. Dupuis has accordingly regained the entire possession of his goods and the full exercise of his rights, of which he was only temporarily dispossessed. He takes passage by the next homeward M. M. steamer. Desiring to obtain reparation for the injuries caused him during his expedition to Tonquin more than three years ago,—reparations which the Colonial Government is far from disavowing, but the settlement of which owing to imperious necessities it is constrained indefinitely to adjourn—he goes to ask from a high authority, that of the new National Assembly, the justice which not only all French citizens can claim from their country, but which he more particularly has a right to expect for the services which the results of his expeditions have already rendered, and in the near future must yet render, to the commerce of the whole world. An eminent publicist who has taken special interest in all that is connected with Mr. Dupuis' expedition and in the affairs of Tonquin, is now occupied in collecting the materials of a new publication destined to throw a brilliant light on the events which have taken place here since the arrival of M. Dupuis and his French expedition. We shall keep our readers well informed on this important question, in the solution of which there is so much that will be of interest to the public. Whatever may be the pretended necessities of a policy the grievous effects of which are known to every one, whatever may be the intrigues and the interested lies which make up the diplomatic baggage of the Court of Hué, there are responsibilities which refuse to be overlooked, and there are rights which, when impartially defined, cannot any longer remain unnoticed or trampled under foot."

**A MASONIC FUNERAL.**  
Interments with Masonic honours are by no means infrequent in America; but as the distinctive features of the craft never appear at the grave unless at the request of the deceased, such funerals are very rare in this Colony. Mr. E. Estarico, who was formerly proprietor of the Hotel d'Europe, died on Monday last, and according to his dying wish, he was buried in the Happy Valley Cemetery yesterday afternoon (28th) with all the ancient forms and ceremonies of the order. Deceased was a member of the Zetland Lodge, and the dispensation having been obtained from the R. W. District Grand Master T. G. Linstead, by the W. M. of the above-named Lodge (Brother L. Mallory), the Lodge was formed in the Masonic Hall, a large number of members being present, including the D. G. Master. The preliminary part of the solemn service having been gone through, the members moved and adjourned to the Mortuary Chapel, where the Lodge was re-formed, and the brethren accompanied the remains of the deceased to the grave in the following order:—

Inner Guard, Br. Mathison (acting).  
Members of the United Service Lodge.  
Members of the Perseverance Lodge.  
Members of the Victoria Lodge.  
Zetland Lodge Banner, borne by Mr. Moore.  
Members of the Zetland Lodge.  
Deacons, Br. Farrell (acting), and Br. Keating.  
Organist, Br. Danby.—Treasurer, Br. Sayle.  
Secretary, with Scroll, Br. Nite.  
Wardens, Br. Arthur and Br. Caldwell.

Past Masters, O. P. Chater and A. G. Morris.  
Bible, borne by Br. White.  
W. M. Br. Mallory.  
Chaplain, Br. Kidd.

Full Bearers—The Body—Full Bearers.  
Chief Mourner, Br. W. R. Landstein.  
Stewards, Br. T. Grey and Br. Rivera.  
Tyler, Br. Grey.  
Brother J. M. Emanuel, acting Director of Ceremonies, guided the procession. The brethren having assembled round the grave, the Worshipful Master, Brother Mallory, read the first part of the funeral service, and placed the deceased's masonic apron upon the coffin. Brother Rev. R. H. Kidd (District Grand Chaplain) then offered up prayer, and each member dropped into the grave a sprig of acacia as an emblem of the "state of eternal duration" so gracefully alluded to in the closing address. The W. M. then closed the ceremony in the following words:—

"From time immemorial it has been a custom among the Fraternity of free and accepted Masons, at the request of a Brother on his death-bed to accompany his corpse to the place of interment; and there to deposit his remains with the usual formalities. In conformity to this usage and at the special request of our deceased Brother whose memory we are here assembled in his now deposed, we are here assembled in his memory, before the world, the last tribute of our fraternal affection; thereby demonstrating the sincerity of our past esteem and our inviolable attachment to the principles of the order. With all proper respect to the established customs of the country in which we live, with due deference to our superiors in Church and State, and with unlimited good will to all mankind, we here appear clothed as Masons, and publicly express our submission to order and good government, and our wish to promote the general interests of mankind. Invested with the badge of innocence we humbly bow to the universal Ruler, implore His blessing on all our zealous endeavours to extend peace and good will and earnestly pray for His grace to enable us to persevere in the principles of piety and virtue. The great Creator having blessed out of His mercy, to remove our worthy Brother from the cares and troubles of this transitory life to a state of eternal duration, and thereby to weaken the chains by which we are united, man to man, may we who survive him, anticipating our approaching fate, be more strongly cemented in the ties of union and friendship; and during the short space which is allotted to our present existence, wisely and usefully employ our time in the reciprocal intercourse of kind and friendly aids, and mutually promote the welfare and happiness of each other. Unto the grave we have resigned the body of our deceased friend, there to remain until the general resurrection, in favourable expectation that his immortal soul will then partake of the joys which have been prepared for the righteous from the beginning of the world; and may Almighty God, of His infinite goodness, at the grand tribunal of unbiased justice, extend His mercy toward him and all of us, and crown our hope with everlasting bliss, in the expanded realms of a boundless eternity! This we beg, for the honor of His name, to whom be glory, now and for ever, Amen."

**Police Intelligence.**  
(Before James Russell, Esq.)  
March 29th, 1876.

**LARCENY.**  
Samuel Boyes, fireman S. S. Belgie, was charged with stealing four gold \$20 pieces and other money from one Edward King, a fireman on board the steamer. Yesterday morning the defendant came and asked for half a dollar. The complainant told him to go to his berth and he would find some money in his coat pocket. The complainant had \$81.20 in a purse. Shortly afterwards the defendant informed the complainant that he had got the half-dollar right. After this the complainant went to his purse and it was all right then. Subsequently, however, he missed it. The defendant was taxed with the theft, but he denied it. A boy named William Du gave evidence that he saw the defendant put three gold pieces into a bullock pen. The witness was dark, and the witness was watching him. Another boy named Daniels proved that the defendant gave him the fourth gold coin, in order that it might be returned to the complainant. The defendant said he did not intend to steal the money. He intended to return the purse to the complainant, but lost it. Six months' hard labour.

**CUTTING AND WOUNDING.**  
Tam Asow, a rope-maker, was sent to one month's hard labour for cutting and wounding a woman with whom he had some words.

**BURYING ELSEWHERE THAN IN A CEMETERY.**  
A man was charged with having buried the body of a dead child at a prohibited place. The defendant said he had reported the birth at the Registrar General's Office, and was told "can do." He had no money to pay for an undertaker, so he took the body and deposited it in an old coffin. Chun Achow, a clerk at the Registrar General's Office, said a man made a report of the birth of a child, but it was then still-born, and the registration under those circumstances was not necessary. Discharged with a caution.

**SUSPICIOUS CHARACTERS.**  
The three men remanded for being found in the compound of the Pacific Mail Company, were again brought up. Inspector Barton said he had visited the place in question and found that a board which formed part of the godown walls had been prised open, and inside there was a quantity of copper nuggets. The defendants were sent to six months' hard labour each, and to find security thereafter in \$100 for six months.

**DRUNKENNESS.**  
John Jones, 2nd officer S. S. *Genoa*, was fined \$2 for lying drunk under a verandah.

**CORRESPONDENCE.**  
**THE DISEASED MEAT CASE.**  
To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."  
Bank Buildings, arch 29, 1876.  
SIR,—I was last evening at West Point, and observed the Cattle being driven as usual at that hour to the Slaughter House.

Three men were conducting as many beasts. Two of these manifested a willingness to run, to which they were being incited by the drivers; the third, a heavier beast, was wantonly and cruelly beaten to make him run also. They were driven at a great pace down the steep Battery Hill amid the yells and howling of the men in charge, and I am quite sure they must have arrived at the Slaughter House in a most unsuitable state, seeing that not more than a minute or two is allowed to elapse before they are killed. What can be the reason for this extreme indifference about the animals being killed in proper condition, which in this place is far more important than it is in England? No butcher there would allow his meat to be so treated; and if he did he most surely would be unable to dispose of it. These circumstances irresistibly lead up to the conclusion that there must be something lacking somewhere in the way the meat is allowed to pass into consumption.

Private families cannot well do otherwise than send their Chinese cooks to the market, as they cannot afford to employ any other special agent to examine meat, but the public have always been under the impression that they derived some sort of security from the known care which is taken by the naval and military authorities to appoint officers to this special duty. It would be very interesting to know what is the ultimate destination of these poor cattle, which are so shamefully misused.

Will you have the goodness to forward me copies of your paper containing an account of the proceedings at the Magistrate's in this case, that I may then place the matter before His Excellency the Governor, the General Commanding, and the Admiral upon the Station, who are, I am sure, willing to do everything in their power for the good of those beneath their care, and who alone are able to put an effectual stop to these abominations!

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,  
GRANVILLE SHARP.

## China.

### SHANGHAI.

(News.)  
A special meeting of shareholders in the Racket Club was held on the 21st instant, to decide what should be done with the East Court; all attempts to paint or stain the floor having been defeated by the saline exudations from the cement. It was resolved to relay the floor with Portland cement, coloured black.

On Saturday evening, about 9.30 o'clock, as the steamer *Geelong* was being moored at the Hongkong Wharf, a female servant to one of the Chinese lady passengers accidentally fell overboard between the ship and the wharf. She was rescued by one of the officers of the steamer and taken on to the upper wharf, where under direction of the Doctor of the steamer endeavours were made to resuscitate her, but without success. As usual, the friends of the deceased calmly looked on, and when called upon to assist quietly disappeared.

(Courier.)  
On the 7th day of the 3rd moon Shên Pao-cheng, Viceroy of the Liang Kiang starts upon a round of military inspection, in the course of which it is believed that he will visit the cities of Chinkiang, Hwai-shang, Soochow, Yangchow, and Changchow; all of which belong to the rank of fu.

A Chinese carriage-builder who had been employed at the Oriental Hotel, stole a gold watch and chain valued at \$250 from a gentleman residing there, and was sentenced on the 22nd inst. at the Mixed Court to one hundred blows and one month's cage.

There have been heavy rains and floods lately at Hangchow. The showers have been incessant and the water overflowed in consequence in one street the water is standing two feet deep and the city generally is flooded more or less with the yellow, brackish fluid.

We understand that the visit of Mr. Tong King-sing to Foochow has for its object the establishment of a Chinese Banking Company or Corporation, under the auspices of Ting Jih-chang. It is said that there are to be branches in London, Japan, and elsewhere. The principal shareholders are certain Cantonese merchants who, we are informed, have already subscribed nearly all the requisite capital, consisting of three hundred thousand taels.

A Chinese very nearly suffered the fate of Absalom the other night coming home from the fire. He was seated in a jin-rieksha, and the jin-rieksha was running down the slope of the bridge at a most alarming pace, when the queue of the passenger got caught in the revolving wheel, thereby causing him the acute agony. He lost no time in awaking the echoes, and indeed the unfortunate fellow's yells were piercing. All endeavours to extricate his tail being of no avail, a charitable person who was passing by whipped out his pocket-knife and cut off the end of the queue. This done, the woe-begone Celestial proceeded on his way, bemoaning the loss he had sustained.

**TIENTSIN.**  
"It is a long lane that has no turning." So we have thought during all these dry, dusty months of the past, and have been longing for the turn to come. Hence it was very refreshing to see the snow flakes flying yesterday, thick and fast. The light fall has purified and sweetened the atmosphere, but is utterly inadequate to moisten beyond the surface of the soil. We hear of changes in governmental appointments. It is said that H. E. Hild, who was appointed Assistant Ambassador to England, has been superseded by Woo Taitai, late of the Imperial Arsenal at Tientsin. In place of this foreign appointment, Mr. Hild is likely to fill the position of Customs Taitai at this place, and the present incumbent is, we hear, to be transferred to the prefecture of the metropolis. Two Chinese gunboats, the *Hai Ching*, and the *Hsin Yang*, came to anchor at the upper end of the bund on the 11th. The merchant steamers in port are, the *Sin Nanking*, the *Shing King*, the *Ho Chun*, and the *Fung Shun*. The former is a new boat just out from England, having brought through freight. She belongs to the O. C. S. N. Co., and seems well adapted to the trade. The *Fung Shun* did some damage to herself, and a sampan with which she collided this morning, in coming up to the bund. I have not been able to

ascertain how serious the damage is in either case. The sailing vessels in port are: *Procto*, J. H. Jensen, *Faro*, *Herman*, *Gliss*, *Adolphe*, *Tartar*, and *Ching To*. The French gunboat *Surpren* left this morning, for Hongkong, we believe.

March 14th.

It is not often we have anything very exciting to report from this port, and what I have to speak of now, relates to Chinese rather than foreigners. At the upper or Northwest end of the Foreign Settlements, and within the limits of the French Concession, quite a Chinese village has sprung up within the past few years. This village is a cesspool of corruption. In it congregates and manages to exist, many of the vilest of the vile. A large number of Hun Haing-tas live here by their wits, or from the proceeds of houses of ill-fame with which they are connected. These fellows have recently endeavored to establish a "New Carrying Hong," and to this end engaged a few coolies as porters. The leader in this movement is one Yuen Li-hien, a bully, who formerly hired himself out to do other people's fighting. Some years ago he was banished to the Amoor for a period of ten years, for killing a man in one of these fights. He has managed to return before his time is out. He has a personal enemy named Wang-tai who is connected with a "sawing log house," that has been established here for years. It seems to be the intent of this "new hong," to levy black mail, rather than engage in the carrying business—only a few of its small membership being carrying coolies, while the rest are "blockheads." One story says that Yuen and Wang met on the afternoon of the 15th inst., quarrelled, and finally came to blows, which soon brought all their respective friends who were within hearing, to their aid. It is also said that a demand was made by the Hun Haing-tas, on the coolies of the old hong for a portion of their earnings. Being resisted in this, a free fight ensued, in which not far from 300 persons were engaged. Clubs, spears, and knives were freely used, but no serious damage seems to have been done. Some of the parties are now in the hands of the officers, and it is to be hoped that Yuen and his accomplices, who seem to have been rather quiet since his banishment, may receive their deserts.

We have had charming weather since the light snowfall. To-day there is an unpleasant wind, but a bright sun.

19th March.

## Japan.

### (Mail.)

The following notification refers to the forthcoming substitution of the European day of rest, the *Ichikoku-hikofu* observed. It is not improbable, we conceive, that this change would have been made earlier but for the fear that it might be assumed as a recognition of a Christian holiday. The change will be hailed by all foreigners.

It is hereby notified that up to the present time the 1st and 6th days have been observed in the Government offices as the days of rest. But, from the 1st of April next, all Government offices will be closed on Sunday and will be open only until noon on Saturday.—SARUO SANKEYOSHI, Prime Minister.

The probable causes for the notification alluded to are two-fold. The first; the convenience of the Public Departments. The second; an approximation little by little to the customs, habits and observances of the western nations, in virtue of which the plea for jurisdiction over foreigners may be urged and ultimately obtained. It is curious to observe how this desire is moving the nation to strain every muscle of its organization in the desired direction. One is reminded of Lamarck's theory of the giraffe getting its long neck from the constant strain after the sweeter leaves of the upper branches. Of course it is in virtue of improvement that this will ultimately be obtained—improvement, however, which must be vital and organic, not merely external, and which cannot be acquired in a day or a year. The aim is admirable and should be encouraged in every way and by every one. But it should also be said that the reality of the fitness for jurisdiction will be, and should be, scrutinised in the most searching manner, so that every effort made in this direction should be as real and sound and solid as possible.

The Captain of the barque *Truth*, on arrival here, reported having seen two wrecks on Gough's Island, February 12th, one of them apparently having been but recently stranded. It is not possible that this should be the *Nettie Merryman* so long overdue from New York?

### (Gazette.)

During last month, 1,515 houses were entered by robbers in Yokohama. Fifty-seven of the culprits have been arrested, 455 pieces of clothing, 327 articles of various kinds, 94 yen, and 4 swords were the extent of property stolen.

The *Choya-hinshu* states that the Government is about to distribute sums varying from thirty to fifty yen among the families of those Kagoshima-men who died in the Formosan Expedition, and that an annual pension of thirty yen will be given to those who were severely wounded in the same expedition.

A meeting, fully attended, of the Asiatic Society of Japan, was held on the 18th at the Grand Hotel. An interesting paper on the Bo in Islands, prepared from his own experiences during a recent visit, was read by Mr. Russell Robertson. The province of Riktu Chin is said to contain the best pasture ground in Japan. The business of most of the inhabitants is in cattle. But, as it is an extensive province, there are many chasms of mountains and valleys, where wolves are very numerous, and often pay visits to the villages and pasture grounds, destroying many head of cattle. Every year many hundred head are killed or injured by wolves. The Iwata-ken-cho, under whose jurisdiction the province lies, intend to protect cattle from their attacks. In December last year it was notified that any one who killed a wolf could claim a reward of seven yen and any one killing a she-wolf one of eight yen. The expense of taking the dead wolves to the *ken-cho* must be borne by cattle owners. Twenty-three wolves were killed during one month between the 18th of the last December, and the 10th of January of this year.

A meeting was held on the 18th at Bonnat's Hotel, and attended by many of the members of the Yokohama United Club interested in the establishment of a new Club in Yokohama, which it is proposed to conduct on the non-proprietary system. The proceedings were private. When will people learn that Japanese laws and regulations cannot be broken with impunity! The other morning, the Captain

of an English vessel lying in the harbour had the effrontery to attempt, without a permit, to "take off" a puppy, but an energetic Customs House officer detected him and compelled him to procure a permit. There was a large fire at Kanda, Tokio on the 19th inst., in which 160 houses were burned to the ground, and seven firemen were badly injured.

The first number of a new biographical magazine, named the *Meiyo-shinhui*, has appeared in Tokio.

During last year, 639 policemen in Tokio were presented with small rewards for good conduct, amounting altogether to 380 yen. 1,393 others were fined larger or smaller sums.

Mr. Ogasawara, a Kuwazoku, has presented 5,000 yen to the schools in Tokio; and Mr. Sakake, an officer of the ninth class in the war department, has also presented 1,000 yen for the same purpose. The former has received a present of three gold cups from the government; and the latter has received a similar present in his case, however, the cups being silver.

Mr. Mayeda, a convert to the Christian religion, has been allowed to preach the doctrines of that creed before the criminals in the prison of the Higo-ken.

The copper mine of Yoshioka, Blochia; belonging to the Mitau Bishi Co., produces 30,000 pounds of copper per month. That of Koidzumai is now closed.

A notification has been addressed by the *Daio Daijin* to native masters of vessels, ordering them to keep a correct register of the names, addresses, and places of residence, of all their passengers. It is further ordered that no difficulty be thrown in the way of the proper authorities when examining the vessels.

## NAGASAKI.

### (Nagasaki Express.)

In the neighbourhood of Kamenosaki, the mulberry tree is reported to be flourishing and much more attention is paid to its cultivation than formerly. A few years back they were permitted to grow wild and were reckoned a nuisance to the ground. As in everything else, however, a revolution has taken place in favour of the mulberry plant and now the farmers perceive that it can be cultivated with advantage to themselves and a benefit to the country.

Last Wednesday morning the *Tokio Maru* has a narrow escape from sinking a junk. When about to cast anchor she came in contact with a large native craft and did some damage to the boat besides cutting a man's hand off.

## COMMERCIAL.

### Hongkong, March 29.

Throughout the closing fortnight, the market for Bengal Opium has been languid, which is not unusual at this period of the year, when the absence of fresh produce, and the approach of the season of repairing into the country for ancestral worship, naturally restrict business amongst the natives. Notwithstanding this, large holders of the drug have continued firm, and the rate for both descriptions has kept steady enough, standing to-day at \$815 for Patna and \$590 for Benares.

To the previous noted receipts of 2,860 chests has to be added a further instalment of 100 chests. During the fortnight some 400 chests have passed into the hands of the local consumers, against 450 chests at the corresponding fortnight last year. This, with the exportations, leave a stock computed at 1,900 chests, against 650 chests same time last year. Of this last quantity 125 chests were Benares, of which kind the present stock consists of 400 chests.

MESSRS HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular, for Mail of Thursday, 30th March.

During the past fortnight, business has been chiefly confined to Coast charters, for although a moderate demand exists for tonnage homewards, there is a scarcity at the moment of suitable vessels. Rates are nominally unchanged.

Homewards, demand is principally from the Philippines, though the number of vessels calling there "seeking" has tended to weaken freights. Only one settlement is reported during the fortnight.

Coastwise, a fair business has been done. Freight for the North are unchanged. Several vessels have accepted the low rates lately ruling from Bangkok to this, and there is still some demand for both steamers and sailing vessels to load there. The Saigon market is very uncertain, freights varying almost daily.

For San Francisco, tonnage has continued in demand, and in addition to the charters reported below the British ship *Mary Whitridge*, 852 tons has been settled for this voyage in Shanghai, and the American bark *Weylingale*, 722 tons, in Yokohama.

The disengaged tonnage is port amounts to 5 vessels, re-listering 8,249 tons.

The following are the settlements:—  
British barque James Vincomba, 638 tons, Takao (Formosa) to London, 22 1/2a. per ton of 20 cwt.

British ship Margarita, 864 tons, to San Francisco, private.  
American barque Jonathan Chase, 693 tons, to San Francisco, private.

American barque Edward James, 529 tons, to Portland (Oregon), private.  
American barque Alden Beese, 842 tons, to Honolulu and San Francisco, private.

American S. M. scho. Marion, 386 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin (Timber) and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 65 cents per picul, 45 lay days.

German brig Irene, 285 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 62 cents per picul, 55 lay days.

British barque Montego, 616 tons, Newchwang to Hongkong, 59 cents per picul.  
British barque Fortia, 301 tons, Takao to Yokohama and back to Hongkong via Newchwang, 60 cents per picul.

French barque Edmond Grosier, 800 tons, Takao to Yokohama, 60 cents per picul, 28 lay days.

British barque Naworth Castle, 849 tons, Keelung to Hongkong, 52 cents per ton of 20 cwt., 14 lay days.

French barque Chateaubriand, 384 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong (inside the Bar), 27 1/2 cents per picul, (outside the Bar), 22 1/2 cents per picul, 28 lay days.

German barque Wodan, 439 Salgon to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul.

British steamer Flamingo, 1209 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong (inside the Bar), 35 cents per picul, (outside the Bar), 30 cents per picul.

British barque Lord Macdoff, 537 tons, to Saigon and back to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul.

German barque Wodan, 439 Salgon to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul.  
British steamer Montgomeryshire, 1147 tons, Saigon to Hongkong (2 trips), 29 1/2 cents per picul, 10 lay days.

British steamer Cawdor Castle, 1418 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 20 cents per picul.  
British steamer City of Exeter, 787 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 17 cents per picul, 7 lay days.

French steamer Asia, 883 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul, 8 lay days.  
Dan. steamer Norden, 778 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 19 cents per picul, 8 lay days.

British steamer Albatross, 1403 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 19 cents per picul.  
British steamer Flamingo, 1209 tons, to Singapore and Penang, private.

MESSRS DEACON & Co.'s Canton Market Report, dated Canton, 28th Mar. says:—  
Our last report was dated 29th ultimo; shortly after that date one parcel of 1,700 Boxes Scented Caper was purchased at Tia. 18, and the shipment of this closed the export for 1875-76.

The following is the comparative Export from the Canton Waters for the past three seasons:—  
Season 1875-76 19,556,484 lbs; Season 1874-75, 19,537,065 lbs; Season 1873-74, 16,751,597 lbs.

Of New Season's Congou a few shipments have been made from this and Masao, but the quantity has been very small; the teas have not been generally shown on the market and prices have not transpired. The weather for some time past has been very unfavorable and the last appears to have suffered somewhat in consequence, an improvement is however expected in later arrivals.

**SLK.**—Settlements of Taities real in the past month are hardly worthy of notice; they consist of 87 bales purchased two weeks ago, since when no transaction has taken place. The stock of all classes is exhausted, and the season closes with an export of 12,900 bales, against 9,900 bales in 1874-75.

Nothing regarding prospects for coming season can be learned for at least two weeks. Re-reels have continued in request, and 830 boxes are said to have been settled under contract. This description of staple is now also out of stock.

Long-reels.—Only 25 piculs have been bought for export to India.  
Waste.—400 to 500 bales of No. 2 quality have been contracted for.  
We have no quotations to supply.

## SETTLEMENTS FOR THE MONTH.

### 1875-76. 1874-75.

For Europe, ..... 37 bales, 500 bales.  
United States, .....  
Re-reels, ..... 330 boxes, 500 boxes.  
Bombay, ..... 25 piculs 100 piculs.  
EXPORT FOR SEASON, TO DATE.

## IMPORTS.

LEAD.—A fair demand has existed during the past month and prices have hardened for cargo Lead, quotations closing at \$8.50 a \$8.65 per picul for cargo and \$8.60 a \$8.65 per picul for W.B. and Hole chop.

QUICKSILVER.—Prices have advanced to \$92 a \$93 picul.  
The rate of freight to London per steamer is \$2.15 per ton of 40 cubic feet.  
LOADING AND ON THE BERTH.—At Whampoa. None.  
DEPARTURES.—From Whampoa. None.

## Quotations.

### Hongkong, March 29, 1876.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash, ..... 615 a 620  
credit, ..... 620 a 625  
" Old Patna, cash, .....  
credit, .....  
" New Benares, cash, 587 a 597  
credit, 590 a 592 1/2  
" Old Benares, cash, .....  
credit, .....  
" New Malwa, cash, 580  
credit, 585  
" Allowance Tails, 16 a 48  
" Old Malwa, cash, 585  
credit, 590  
" Allowance Tails, 10 a 32  
OAMPHOB, ..... 144 a 144  
QUICKSILVER, ..... 94  
SALTPETRE, ..... 43 a 51

## Exchange.

Bank, 6 months' sight, ..... 8/10  
credit, 6 months' sight, ..... 8/10 1/2  
On Calcutta, Bank demand, ..... R 221  
" Bombay, demand, ..... R 221  
" Shanghai, demand, ..... 73 1/2  
" Bar Silver, 17, dwt. B., .....  
Syoce, .....  
Mexican, .....  
Gold Leaf, ..... 27.00  
English Sovereigns, ..... 5.28  
Australian Sovereigns, ..... 5.80  
Discount, ..... 7 a 9

## Shares.

Hongkong Bank, par.  
H. K. Fire Ins. Co., \$50 1/2  
China Fire Ins. Co., \$158  
Victoria Fire Ins. Co., \$70  
H. K. & W. Dock Co., 45 1/2 dls.  
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1



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STEAM FOR  
Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle,  
Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi,  
Ancona, Venice, Mediter-  
ranean Ports, Southampton  
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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM  
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"HERMES," Captain A. H. JOHNSON, with  
Her Majesty's Mail, Passengers, Specie, and  
Cargo, will leave this for the above places,  
on THURSDAY, the 30th instant, at  
Noon.

CARGO will be received on board until  
Noon; SPECIE and PARCELS at the  
Office until 2 p.m. on the 29th instant.  
For particulars regarding Freight and  
Passage, apply at the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s  
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CONTENTS AND VALUE OF PACKAGES  
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A written declaration of the Contents and  
Value of the Packages for the Overland Route  
to be required by the Egyptian Government, and  
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pany's Agents with the Bills of Lading, or  
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prejudice which may happen from incorrect-  
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THE P. & O. S. N. Co. reserve the  
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ped by their Steamers for Europe through  
Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal in their  
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the purpose.

A. McIVER, Superintendent,  
P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,  
Hongkong, March 16, 1876. m29

Occidental & Oriental Steam-  
Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND  
PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED  
STATES AND EUROPE,  
IN CONNECTION WITH THE  
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RAILROAD COMPANIES  
AND  
ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "BELIC" will be de-  
parted for San Francisco, via Yoko-  
hama, on SATURDAY, the 1st April,  
at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers  
for Japan, the United States and Europe.  
Connection is made at Yokohama, with  
Steamers from Shanghai.

Freight will be received on Board until  
4 p.m. of 31st instant. Parcel Packages  
will be received at the Office until 5 p.m.  
same day: all Parcel Packages should be  
marked to address in full; value of same  
is required.

Return Passage Tickets available for 6  
months are issued at a reduction of 20 per  
cent. on regular rates.

For further information as to Freight  
or Passage, apply to the Agency of the  
Company, Praya West.

G. B. EMORY, Acting Agent,  
Hongkong, March 17, 1876. ap1

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PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP  
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OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING  
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A Steamer of the Mitsui Bishi S. S. Com-  
pany will leave Shanghai, via the Inland Sea  
Ports, about same date, and make close  
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and Freight, apply to the Agency of the  
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Hongkong, March 18, 1876. ap16

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therein, at current local rates, subject to a  
Discount of 20% on the Premium.

EDWARD NORTON & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, January 1, 1874.

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TION OF SHANGHAI.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS, 800,000 TAELS

POLICIES granted on Marine Risks to  
all parts of the world at current rates.  
This Association will, until further no-  
tice, provide out of the earnings, first for  
an Interest Dividend of 15% to Share-  
holders on Capital, and thereafter distrib-  
uted among Policy holders, annually, in  
cash, ALL the Profits of the Underwriting  
Business pro rata to amount of premium  
contributed.

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THE Underigned are prepared to grant  
Policies against the Risk of FIRE on  
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Coals in Matched, on Goods on board  
Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Har-  
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ceived, and transmitted to the Directors  
for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on  
first class Lives up to \$1000 on a Single  
Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of pro-  
posals or any other information, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARSBERG & Co.  
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Hongkong, January 4, 1877.

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AGENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of  
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Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance  
granted at the rates of Premium current at  
the above mentioned Ports.

NO CHARGE FOR POLICY FEE.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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COMPANY OF MANCHESTER  
AND LONDON.

THE Underigned have been appointed  
Agents for the above Company at  
Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai  
and Hankow, and are prepared to grant  
Insurances at current rates.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, October 14, 1868.

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INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER

His Majesty King George The First,  
A. D. 1720.

THE Underigned having been appointed  
Agents for the above Corporation are  
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here, in London or at the principal Ports  
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Policies issued for sums not exceeding  
\$5,000 on reasonable terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, July 25, 1872.

## CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(LIMITED.)

NOTICE.

POLICIES granted at current rates on  
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In accordance with the Company's Articles  
of Association, Two Thirds of the Profit  
are distributed annually to Contributors,  
whether Shareholders or not, in proportion  
to the net amount of Premium contributed  
by each, the remaining third being carried  
to Reserve Fund.

OLYPHANT & Co.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, April 17, 1873.

YANGTSE INSURANCE ASSOCIA-  
TION OF SHANGHAI.

NOTICE.

AFTER this date, the above Association  
will allow a Brokerage of Thirty-  
three and One Third per cent. (33 1/3%) on  
Local Risks only.

RUSSELL & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, June 3, 1874.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE  
COMPANY.

THE Underigned Agents are in receipt  
of instructions from the Board of  
Directors authorizing them to issue Policies  
to the extent of \$10,000 on any one first  
class risk, or to the extent of \$15,000 on  
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HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

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ANCE COMPANY, ADELAIDE.

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Bombay, Mauritius, China and Japan at  
current rates.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.  
Hongkong, September 6, 1875.

VICTORIA FIRE INSURANCE COM-  
PANY OF HONGKONG LIMITED,  
IN LIQUIDATION.

NOTICE.

ALL Persons holding Warrants against  
unclaimed Dividends, Interest, or  
Bonuses, are requested to present same for  
payment at the Hongkong and Shanghai  
Bank before the 1st April, 1876, otherwise  
their claims will not be recognised.

ADOLF ANDRE,  
F. D. SASSOON,  
Liquidators.

Hongkong, December 20, 1875. ap1

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THE Underigned having been appointed  
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